

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Akihiro FURUKAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2152

Application No.: 09/820,761

Examiner:

R. REFAI

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For:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR USING MAC ADDRESS OF NETWORKED DEVICES

TO SET IP ADDRESSES

APPLICANTS' SEPARATE RECORD OF PERSONAL INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the February 6, 2007 personal interview, Applicants' provide a separate record of the personal interview. Applicants also appreciate the courtesies extended by Examiners Refai and Donaghue to Applicants' representative during the personal interview.

During the personal interview, Applicants' representative traversed the rejections of claims 2, 3 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph; and claims 2, 3 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Roy et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,496,859) in view of Bruck et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,801,949).

As agreed during the personal interview, Roy and Bruck fail to disclose multicasting or any of the related claim limitations.

Furthermore, with regard to the §112, second paragraph, rejection, Examiner Refai agreed that the explanations provided in our January 22, 2007 would overcome the rejection.

It is respectfully requested that the rejections be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing and the January 22, 2007 Amendment, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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